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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MARR, UR, SY, EG, LE

SUBJECT: SOV ACTIONS IN SUPPORT OF SYRIA AND EGYPT

1. AMBASSADOR AZIMOV MET WITH PRESIDENT FRANGIE AND  
PRIME MINISTER SOLH ON OCT 9 AND READ TEXT  
OF LETTER SOVS APPARENTLY SENT TO ALGERIANS  
AND OTHER ARAB GOVTS URGING SUPPORT FOR SYRIA AND  
EGYPT. DIRGEN OF PRESIDENCY SAYS AZIMOV DID NOT RPT NOT URGE THAT  
GOL ACT TO SUPPORT SYRIA AND EGYPT. HOWEVER,  
AZIMOV WENT ON AT GREAT LENGTH VAUNTING MERITS OF SOV  
MILITARY EQUIPMENT AND TRAINING FURNISHED SYRIANS AND EGYPTIANS  
HE ALSO TRIED TO CONVINCE LEBANESE ARABS HAVE PRACTICALLY  
WON WAR WITH ISRAEL, CITING INTER ALIA ALLEGED ISRAELI LOSS  
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OF 154 AIRCRAFT AS OF EVENING OCT 3.

2. LEBANESE PRESS AND ARMY SOURCES REPORT INTENSIVE SOV  
PROPAGANDA CAMPAIGN ALONG LINES OF AZIMOV CONVERSATION.  
JZN PRESS, SOVS ARE SAYING THEY EVEN URGING GOL PARTICIPATION  
IN STRUGGLE.

3. AS REPORTED BEIRUT 11992 SOVS ALSO TAKING CREDIT  
FOR ENTRY OF IRAQI FORCES INTO BATTLE. THEY ALSO  
LETTING IT BE KNOWN THAT NEW SOV AIRLIFT UNDERWAY TO  
RESUPPLY SYRIANS AND EGYPTIANS.  
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